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## COUNTY NEWS.

She fed the old hen.

The hen was fat.—[Spelling Book.

She wanted her for a Christmas

dinner.

This was taking a fowl advantage

of the hen.

A bare Christmas indicates that

there isn't any snow to speak of.

Buck Powell came in again from the Penasco on a buck-board or some other kind of rig. A cyclone or a water famine would not keep Buck away from Lincoln more than a week at a time.

John Chisum is now reported in a fair way to recover at an early day, and although still at Eureka Springs, he expects soon to be shaking hands and setting 'em up to the boys in Lincoln county.

Messrs Thornton and Vandaver, of Santa Fe, are now in Lincoln county on a hunt. They stopped over at this place Tuesday night on their way to Roswell. It is time for game down that way to hide out.

A. K. Dale and Jacob Harris, from near Roswell, each brought up a load of sweet potatoes last Friday, and the hungry Lincolinites, assisted by the editor, proprietor, the devil and all the rest of us, have been feasting on yams and sowbels from that day until now, and still our cry yam for more.

On account of the school directors of precinct No 1, Lincoln, not having qualified, Geo. L. Ulrick, the county superintendent, has called a special election to be held Thursday, January, 8th 1885, at the office of the justice of the peace in the town of Lincoln, for the purpose of choosing new directors.

J. J. Dolan and Chas. Fritz made the round to Las Cruces and back through the most disagreeable weather we have had this winter, but returned without meeting any serious mishap except a long, heavy pull through the snow which extended even to the valley of grapes and perennial green things.

Rube and Jake Copeland winked down with the stars Monday night, and left with the fog the next morning. They did not give any pointer as to their errand here but Rube was seen trying to rattle a lawyer up about three hours before his usual time for breakfast so it is inferred that he was after a little advice.

Don Jose Montano and his son returned from Santa Fe last Thursday evening. They had to drive through snow nearly the entire trip across the country, to find bare ground and dry roads as they neared Lincoln. Mr. Montano reports business extremely dull in that ancient business centre, and the outlook not very encouraging for the future.

J. W. Bryan met with quite a serious accident out on his range the other day. While riding at full speed, his horse stumbled and fell, about the full force of the shock coming on Mr. Bryan's leg which came underneath the horse. Fortunately no bones were broken but the gentleman will be unable to get around with comfort for some time.

Crops of all kinds were very fine on the Ruidoso the past year and prove beyond a doubt that farming will pay in the valleys of Lincoln county when conducted in a systematic manner, and with the market prices of all kinds of farm products much higher than that usually obtained for similar products in the states, there is no reason why our farmers should not grow rich in a very few years. L. Hale this year raised over 1500 bushels of oats, Joshua Hale 2500, and Frank Lesnet 1400. Others were equally successful according to the acreage sown.

Wheat, and corn also gave an abundant yield as did potatoes, cabbage and all kinds of vegetables. John Newcomb and the Coes we learn were very successful in all their farming ventures as were about every one along the Ruidoso this year.

W. W. Paul and Robert Dickson were at the county seat on business this week.

Johnny Bolton came up smiling from the Rio Felix to load up at Jimmy Dolan's dinner this Christmas. He doesn't expect to get another square meal for a year as he has to cook for himself out at the ranch.

The last heard of Santa Claus he had packed his five-cent traps on a burro, at Las Vegas and started for the lower country, but after getting as far as the Pecos river switched off and pulled his freight for Santa Fe, where there was a lot of snide rings for sale, at a terrible crash in prices. The old fraud imagines he has struck a fat lay-out in that town, where about everybody seems to be anxious to unload their surplus stock, but just let him try to work them off on the people of this county about Christmas and there will be something in the atmosphere besides snow-flakes and gravel. We have always held a grudge against the old sneak since years ago he left us a cooked goose egg and a mitten, about an inch long, one Christmas Eve.

The Optic wants some one to furnish that office with the present address of Taylor & Killen whose former post office was Galena in Nogal Canon, this county. D. C. Taylor, now of Bonito, can probably tell more about that matter than any one else. Better write to the Optic, Colonel, they may be in possession of the fact that a fortune has been left you in the old country, or a goat ranch somewhere up in Utah. Stranger things than that have happened to men who are not nearly as handsome and a good deal more lonesome than yourself.

## WHITE OAKS ITEMS.

Our stores present a holiday appearance.

The stamp mill is still working on Homestake ore.

E. E. Albright is suffering with a sprained ankle.

Mr. Wauchope has a six-horse team hauling ore.

The assessment work for '84, in this vicinity, is about finished.

Joseph Biggs has returned from the Bonito, where he has been doing assessments.

S. W. Lloyd has discovered a spring near the Oseuras which he thinks is a bonanza.

Mr. and Mrs. Slane, Eagle Creek, are visiting here and will not return until after the holidays.

The old settlers say that the recent snow fall is the heaviest ever known in this portion of New Mexico.

Manager Rhode, Jicarilla, was in town Saturday, and is confident that his concentrator will be a success.

The young people of this place have been using the late fall of snow about as melodiously as young people do elsewhere, considering it was sent for their enjoyment.

John Woodland, Geo. L. Ulrick, Oscar Dyer and Emil Ozanne will leave here some time in January for Mora county to assist Col. Jewett, who has a government surveying contract.

It is reported here that arrangements have been made to put in a large stamp mill at an early day. The parties are well known, but do not want their names given to the public at present.

Dr. Reid and his partner, H. Hanning, have dissolved, and Dr. Paden, as mutual friend, will be associated with Dr. Reid in the business until the affairs of the old firm can be satisfactorily adjusted.

Cris. Ebner says: "Ven I puy peef I puy mit te schtamps unt not mit grub and chaw-pone. So mien frient ven you puy meat of me you schust schlaps down te cash unt you gits your schteak unt schin-pone. You forsehtay him, ugh?"

The Hot est ke is still pushing work steadily ahead. Col. Heman says that neither snow nor a broken arm can stop it now. The Colonel has discarded the lumber he has been carrying around on his arm for some

time past, and will soon be ready to take a tumble to himself or anyone else again.

## PENASCO--December 18.

We are having considerable snow and very cold weather at present.

Mr. Wm. Keeney, one of Agua Chiquita's politest gentlemen, is going to El Paso to spend the holidays.

Preston Collier's school is pronounced by all the patrons to be a success, which speaks well for our pedagogue.

At the public sale on the 10th, property went very cheap, owing to the scarcity of money which prevails here at present.

It has been reported here that J. P. Eaker's walk is somewhat dignified. The cause can be ascertained by referring to J. P.

Among the late arrivals in the Twelve Mile Canon are a number of young ladies whose presence have already played smash with the hearts of several of our young bloods, on account of which a great many cases of "loco" may be reported before spring. Among those showing the strongest symptoms of being thus rattled are the school teacher and Bob the fiddler.

There was a pleasant party given by Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Jerrell, at their ranch in Twelve Mile Canon, on the evening of the 5th inst. Dancing was the order of the evening, Mr. Wm. Derrick holding first base with the violin, while all present tripped the light fantastic until a late hour. A fine supper was served, and a good time had generally. The kind hospitalities of the host and hostess on this occasion will long be remembered by all present.

During the recent round-up here one of Mr. A. C. McDonald's hands found Buck Tison's saddle on the south side of the Agua Chiquita, where it had been hid in the bushes. It will be remembered that Sutton and Nick Booth were accused of stealing two horses, bridles and saddles from the L. I. I. ranch during the summer. The horses were recovered in a few days, but nothing was heard of the saddles or bridles, until the saddle above mentioned was found. Sutton was going in the direction of this saddle the morning he received his death wound.

The latest rumor here is that S. D. Goodman, a partner of G. W. Holland, has left for parts unknown. It appears that Goodman, who went to El Paso to purchase goods, got the best of his partner by several hundred dollars. J. P. Eaker sent his gold watch with Goodman for repairs, with a view of presenting it to his best girl during the holidays. Of course he has heard nothing from the watch. Eaker says he cannot think Goodman's intentions are other than honest and honorable, and seems to think that his watch will come in all O. K. yet. The only cause that he can assign for Goodman's strange disappearance, is that Goodman was elected constable of precinct No. 9 at the last election and it may be that he heard of a band of rustlers, and having a desire to gain notoriety, left at once for the scene, forgetting that he had never been sworn into office.

OBSERVER.

## RED CLOUD--December 18.

It is about a year since I wrote to the ERA. In that time there has been considerable work done in the way of developing some of the mining prospects in this district. Work was commenced last February on the Buckhorn under the direction of C. T. Clark, and prosecuted with energy and judgment until the 12th of November, during which time a shaft 5x7 was sunk 151 feet deep, the mineral from the top pitching east at an angle of about 60 degrees to the depth of about 45 feet, and was again struck at eighty feet, consequently the mineral is now east of the bottom of the shaft and will re-

quire a drift or tunnel to cut it again. A ton of the best ore ever produced by the camp was sent from this claim to New Orleans.

The next item of interest here was the striking of a rich pocket of mineral, in a drift, at the bottom of the Red Cloud shaft, by Messrs. Spence and Hendershot. Work would have been prosecuted further, but foul air prevented during the summer months.

Some time during the month of August Messrs. Mann and Klepinger struck a large body of copper carbonates and galena at the depth of 60 feet on the Sanbeam. If facilities were at hand to treat this ore, I have no doubt it would pay handsomely.

Another large cropping of fine mineral was discovered on the Tenderfoot a week or two ago. This makes six different places on this claim where pay mineral can be extracted, at or near the surface.

M. Whiteman, of White Oaks, came up with a load of provisions and two miners to further develop the Wild Goose claim, but on looking over the ground he concluded it would take more money to show up the ore body than he had intended to spend, consequently he returned to White Oaks to unload.

The weather up to the present time has been very favorable for outdoor work, and the boys have taken advantage of it and assessment work for '84 is about finished. ZENO.

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## NOTICE OF MEETING.

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the members of the Penasco District Protective Association held at G. W. Holland's store, on the Upper Penasco, January 15th, 1885, for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year. A full attendance is desired.

J. P. Eaker, J. W. Bryan,

Secretary. President.

Meeting of Lincoln County Stockmen.

A meeting of the Lincoln County Stock association will be held at Lincoln on the first Monday in January (Jan. 5th). The object of this meeting is that all members may hear a report of the delegates sent to the convention of cattlemen at St. Louis, and that other important business may be transacted and an opportunity may be extended to persons wishing to join the association as several applications for membership have been made.

W. E. ANDERSON, President.

JAS. J. DOLAN, Secretary.

Ballou's Monthly Magazine for January is issued, and promises for the coming year to be better than ever. It opens with illustrated views of the Kennebec River, followed by a new story from the pen of Mr. Wm. H. Thomas the author of "The Belle of Australia," "On Land and Sea," etc., called "Lewey and I; or, Sailor Boy's Wanderings." It relates the adventures of two young men, French and American lads, in California, in the years 1846 and 47, during the Mexican War; and will be full of stirring adventures, and brave exploits with Indians, Mexicans and Yankee raiders. It is one of the most vivid pictures of California life, at the time Fremont was in the country, that has been written. Those who have read "On Land and Sea" will be equally pleased with this new story by Mr. Thomas, for it is a true one, as seen from the Mexican standpoint, the two adventures being compelled to serve in the Mexican cavalry for a few weeks, or suffer some of the pains of military discipline as dispensed by the Mexican authorities. There is much humor in the story, a lot of quiet fun, some remarkable love-making, and everything to interest the reader. This story will be a great success, we predict from reading its commencement. Ballou's Magazine is the cheapest and best publication of its kind in the country. It is only \$1.50 per year, or 15 cents per number. Ask your newsdealer to order it for you. Ballou's Magazine clubbed with other publications at \$1.25 per year. Address, Thomas & Talbot, 23 Hawley St., Boston, Mass.